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1. Amendment C Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116
2. Notice of Appeal (charge Deposit Account No.)

Respectfully submitted,  
Brian F. Russell/vf

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT &amp; TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
**BENJAMIN RUSSELL GRIMES**

Serial No.: **09/630,912**

Filed: **AUGUST 2, 2000**

Title: **SYSTEM, METHOD AND  
PROGRAM FOR ESTABLISHING  
MODEM COMMUNICATION  
BETWEEN A MASTER COMPUTER  
SYSTEM AND A PLURALITY OF  
SLAVE COMPUTER SYSTEMS  
THROUGH A COMMON SERIAL  
COMMUNICATION CHANNEL**

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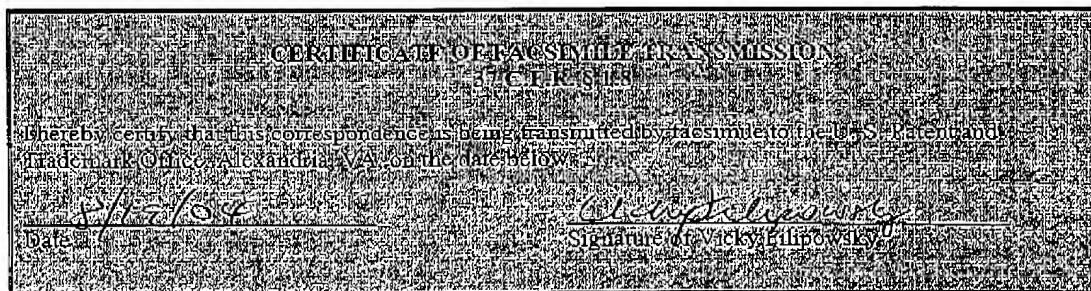
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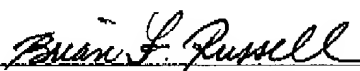
Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences the Examiner's Final Rejection of claims 1-9, 12, 14, 15, 18, 21 and 24-25, as noted in the final Office Action mailed on May 19, 2004.



The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **IBM CORPORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 50-0563** in the amount of \$330.00 for this Notice of Appeal. If an additional fee is required, please charge that fee as well as any other fees necessary to further the prosecution of this application to **IBM CORPORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 50-0563**.

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